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Letter dated 30 June 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English and French, of a statement of the European Economic Community and its member States on the report by the Secretary-General of the United Nations on preventive diplomacy, issued at Lisbon and Brussels on 30 June 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 10 of the preliminary list.

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ANNEX

Statement on the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on preventive diplomacy, issued by the European Economic Community on 30 June 1992

The European Economic Community and its member States welcome the release of the report by the Secretary-General of the United Nations on preventive diplomacy, peacemaking and peace-keeping, a/ pursuant to the statement adopted by the Summit Meeting of the Security Council on 31 January 1992, which represents a highly valuable basis for a thorough reflection among the Member States of the United Nations.

The European Economic Community and its member States attach great political significance to the field of preventive diplomacy, and believe that it is possible to explore the potential of the Charter of the United Nations to foster a deeper and more effective use of its capacities to defuse potential conflicts at an early stage. In this respect, the European Economic Community and its member States welcome the call for increased activity by the United Nations in preventive conflicts, seeking negotiated and lasting solutions and maintaining peace, as well as an enhanced cooperation with regional organizations.

The European Economic Community and its member States reiterate their commitment to the Charter of the United Nations, and look forward to debating the Secretary-General's report in the appropriate forums.

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